



Week ending March 30, 2007

Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the Community Members:

CITYWIDE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT

The *Citywide Weekly Report* highlights various activities throughout the City for the week. Consistent with our mission to ensure equal access to opportunity, education, and quality of life for every man, woman and child regardless of their race, religion, age or socio-economic status, this report will work to organize our weekly achievements so that we can measure and maximize our management and performance toward reaching our goals. It is our intent that this report will help to improve communications about the programs and services provided to both the City Council and the community.

Please contact the Public Affairs Department at 559-621-7777 with any questions.

MAJOR WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

General Services

- For the second year in a row Central Printing has received the Bronze Award from the International Publishing Management Association (IPMA) in the In-Print 2007 National Printing contest. John DeLucia designed the award winning Director of Public Works recruitment brochure for the Personnel Department.

WEEKLY NEWS

KEY RESULT AREA: PUBLIC SAFETY

Fire

- From April 20 through April 26 at 1500 hours, fire crews responded to 635 incidents.

Police

- The Street Violence Bureau coordinated the deployment of 140 police officers in Sanger to search nearly 50 personal residences for wanted murderer Tim Stanbrough. Stanbrough was not located, the operation resulted in 6 unrelated felony arrests of gang members, the recovery of 9 firearms to include an assault rifle and sawed off shotgun, and numerous new leads for detectives.

KEY RESULT AREA: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development

- The City of Fresno Small Farmer Emergency Business Loan Program is pleased to report that 10 more loans totaling approximately \$165,000 were approved at the loan committee meeting on April 20th. These loans will make it possible for small family farms to replant; begin the process of recovering from the devastating frost that impacted their businesses.

KEY RESULT AREA: CUSTOMER SERVICE

General Services

- This week Facilities maintenance concrete crews continued work on the Ted C. Wills senior patio area implementing new ideas for pathways and custom concrete benches.
- Facilities have started the renovation of Fire Station No. 1.
- Facilities electricians completed the repair of the ball diamond lights at Holmes, Melody, Einstein playgrounds and began Quigley this week.
- Staff began the wiring of the new toll booth at Woodward Park.

Parks and Recreation

- Senior Program Excursion, Saturday, April 21, 2007: 197 seniors attended the 50th Annual Good Old Days Festival in Pacific Grove. Seniors enjoyed the live entertainment and parade along with 230 Art and Craft vendors.
- As of Monday, April 23, 2007, PRCS has received 45 confirmations from employers for the Mayor's Jobs Initiative Career & Educational Expo Wednesday September 5, 2007. The MJJ staff has added the final workshop focusing on the importance of education as it relates to the workforce and life in general.
- The attendance was 395 for the PRCS Literacy Program (designed to help kids read at grade level by the 3rd grade) for the week of April 16, 2007, with Winchell and Hidalgo leading the way.
- Earth Week activities were implemented at all 52 After School Recreation sites this week (reaching at least 2,500 kids daily!) through a collaboration between ASR and the Life & Environmental Science Program.

Public Utilities

- On April 21, 2006 Community Sanitation equipped 255 volunteers with rakes, straw broom, trash bags, and litter grabbers to shrub clean the neighborhood in West Fresno.